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It is said the President is ready to
wash his hands of San Domingo's
troubles. Affairs on the island are in
a deplorable condition, its president
has deserted his post in order to save
his head, and the United States is power-
less to do more than protect American
subjects who, under the agreement
with the Morales government are col-
lecting customs for the benefit of cred-
itors. President Roosevelt was in-
duced to take the fiscal affairs of the
island in hand as the easiest way out
of a bad dilemma. We have been pre-
aching the Monroe doctrine so long
without stopping to consider its ulti-
mate force that when the President
gave it practical application there was
a storm of protest and he was accused
of trying to turn this country into a
collector of bad debts. Yet it was this
or something worse. If the United
States could not devise a method of
adjusting San Domingo's fiscal affairs,
we could not complain if foreign cred-
itors, finding no money in sight to
meet their just claims, should seize
the island. It was to avert this situa-
tion that the President urged the ratifi-
cation of the treaty whereby we
would assume the responsibility of col-
lecting the duties and applying them
to the debts of the island. The oppo-
sition of the insular congress has upset
the plan, and Morales has been forced
to give up his office. Matters are in
chaos, and if the United States cannot
reach some agreement with the new
government, it is difficult to see how
we are going to preserve the integrity
of the Monroe doctrine should foreign
creditors persist in pressing their
claims.

THE AMERICAN FARMER.

The farms of this land of ours did
wonders during the year now coming
to a close, Secretary Wilson's estimate
showing that the agricultural products
reached the enormous aggregate of \$6,-
415,000,000. Do you know how much
that is? It is a sum practically incom-
prehensible as it stands. Perhaps some
idea of it may be obtained from the
statement that it means about \$80 for
every man, woman and child in the
country.Four crops—hay, corn, wheat and
rice—made new high records as to
value, although in amount of produc-
tion, corn is the only crop that exceeds
previous yields. Here are a few of the
items going to make up the remarka-
ble aggregate of production:Value.
Corn—2,708,000,000 bushels..... \$1,216,000,000
Hay—405,000,000 tons..... 405,000,000
Cotton..... 575,000,000
Wheat—684,000,000 bushels..... 325,000,000
Oats—682,000,000 bushels..... 282,000,000
Potatoes..... 138,000,000
Rice—737,000,000 pounds..... 14,000,000
Dairy products..... 695,000,000But besides this movable wealth of
the harvest, there has been a great in-
crease in the value of farm lands, the
aggregate in the last five years being
estimated at \$6,133,000,000. It is not
strange, therefore, that the farmer has
largely ceased to be a debtor to the
rest of the country and is now a large
creditor, or that money is now going
from the agricultural districts back to
New York to relieve the money string-
ency there.

TO AILING WOMEN.

A Little Sound Advice will Help
Many a Sufferer in Massillon.No woman can be healthy and well if
the kidneys are sick. Poisons that pass
off in the urine when the kidneys are
well are retained in the body when the
kidneys are sick. Kidneys and bladder
get inflamed and swollen crowding the
delicate female organs nearby and
sometimes displacing them. This is the
true cause of many bearing down pains,
lameness, backache, etc. Urine
poisoning also causes headaches, dizzy
spells, languor, nervousness and rheu-
matic pain.When suffering so, try Doan's Kidney
Pills, the remedy that cures sick kid-
neys. You will get better as the kidneys
get better, and health will return when
the kidneys are well. Let a Massillon
woman tell you about Doan's Kidney
Pills.Mrs. Katherine Diefenbacher, of 182
Wooster St., says: "I endorse every
word of my testimony, given in May,
1900, five years ago. I never felt better
than I have since I used Doan's Kidney
Pills. I increased in weight after my
old trouble disappeared, and a great
many people have interviewed me re-
garding the merits of the medicine. I
used to suffer from heavy bearing down
pains across my loins and kidneys, and
when Doan's Kidney Pills completely
relieved me I was pleased to let others
know about such a reliable remedy."For sale by all dealers; price 50 cents.
Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole
agents for the United States.Remember the name Doan's and take
no other.

COUNTY SEAT NEWS

SUIT BROUGHT AGAINST BRIDGE
COMPANIES.

LARGE AMOUNT IS INVOLVED.

Claim is Made That Stark Coun-
ty Has Been Defrauded Out
of \$359,000 on Bridge Con-
tracts—Damage Suits Against
the Canton-Akron and Penn-
sylvania Railway Companies.Canton, Dec. 29. — The Massillon
Bridge Company, the Wrought Iron
Bridge Company, the Canton Bridge
Company, the American Bridge Com-
pany and E. J. Landor, of Canton, are
made defendants in a big suit for
money wrongfully taken from the
Stark county treasury on bridge con-
tracts, dating from the year 1899, as
the result of an alleged bridge com-
pany combination. The suit was filed in
common pleas court Friday morning by
former Attorney General Frank S.
Monnett, H. C. DeRan, and Rice &
Sowers. The amount involved is \$359,-
000.Two damage suits were brought
against the Canton-Akron Railway
Company in common pleas court,
Thursday afternoon, by Arpha and
John R. Smith. The total sum asked
for is \$15,000. The plaintiffs, in the
separate petitions as filed by the law
firm of Taylor & Stewart, aver that
they received serious injuries in a col-
lision August 27 last, between two in-
terurban cars, running between Can-
ton and Massillon. The accident is
said to have taken place at Yingling's
grove. Arpha Smith alleges that the
force of the collision threw her against
the seat in front of her, hurting her
back and also producing internal inju-
ries such as, the petition states, will
affect her all her life. She asks for
\$10,000. John R. Smith, in his peti-
tion, says that he was standing in the
aisle at the time of the accident and
that when it happened he was hurled
to the floor. The injuries to his shoul-
der and back kept him confined for
four weeks. He asks for \$5,000 dam-
ages.The Pennsylvania Company, on ac-
count of alleged negligence, as charged
in a petition signed by George Sipes,
is made defendant in a damage suit for
\$10,000, filed in common pleas court
Thursday afternoon. Claim is made
that on January 7, last, the plaintiff
approached the Pennsylvania railroad
crossing in East Eighth street in a
spring wagon; that the gates were not
closed and that he started to drive
over the tracks when he was hit by a
locomotive and carried several hun-
dred feet. That no precautions or
warnings were enforced by the gate-
tender and engineer is the claim which
forms the basis for the suit, in which
damages for injuries, physician's bill
and damage to the vehicle is asked.Relatives in this city received word
from Ft. Wayne Friday morning to the
effect that Louis G. Henry, of that
city, had died there. Louis Henry is a
son of John Henry, a former resident
of this city, and the deceased was well
known here. At one time he worked
for Charles M. Henry as a shoemaker.
A number of relatives also live in
Massillon.Canton, Dec. 30. — A fine of \$400 and
the costs of prosecution was assessed
against General Manager E. S. Dim-
mock, of the Canton-Akron lines, by
Mayor Smith Saturday noon for violat-
ing the street car schedule ordinance
of the city. It was alleged that he did
not maintain the twelve-minute sched-
ule prescribed by the council. The
case will be taken up to a higher court.Adolph Meyer was given a fine of
\$50 and costs and sentenced to the
workhouse for a period of thirty days
by Mayor Smith Saturday morning on
a charge of assault and battery. Meyer
is the husband of Anna Meyer, who
was taken from her home in Center
street and sent to the Massillon hospi-
tal a few days ago. The woman has
been insane for some time and when
Deputy Sheriff Harvey Zaiser went to
the house some days ago he found her
lying in the center of one of the rooms
without a stitch of clothing on her
body, while her husband, who had been
in a neighboring saloon, was sent for.
Awful tales of abuse met the deputy's
ears and he determined to take Meyer
to the county jail until charges could
be preferred against him. One of the
stories was to the effect that he beat
her at times and her face and head
bore distinctive evidence of this
abuse, her eyes being discolored and
her face bleeding. It was also said
that in order to keep her from scream-
ing that Meyer had forced a big bun-
dle of rags into her mouth and that in
so doing he had torn the cheeks at
both sides of her mouth. Such cruel
stories were almost beyond belief,
seemingly, but a half dozen neighbors
were willing to make affidavit or tes-
tify to this if necessary. Deputy Zaiser
had an affidavit prepared charging theman with assault with intent to kill,
but when Meyer was taken before
Mayor Smith he entered a plea of not
guilty to this, and readily consented
to plead guilty to a charge of assault
and battery. He was taken to the
workhouse at once. Meyer and his
wife have no children. He admitted
to the mayor that he rammed the rags
in his wife's throat to prevent her
making a noise.The probabilities that Coach Ed
Stewart, of the Massillon Tiger team,
will become a member of the Canton
Athletic club's basketball team are
strong. Stewart was forward on the
champion five last year and to much
extent his presence was missed at the
opening game against Wooster Thurs-
day night. While not spectacular, the
west ender is consistent and tenacious
in his style of play. Representatives
of the local five will go to Massillon
Saturday afternoon, where they will
confer with Stewart, who said Thurs-
day night that he would like to play
with his old associates again.

THE ANTI-PASS ORDER.

President Roosevelt Requested
Action by Railroads.Pittsburg, Dec. 30. — A special to the
Dispatch from Washington says: Pres-
ident Roosevelt is understood to have
influenced the action of the Pennsylv-
ania, Baltimore & Ohio and other
principal Eastern railroads to cut out
passes January 1. The day before the
order was issued by the Pennsylvania
A. J. Cassatt, president of the com-
pany, was at the White House. The
President expressed himself as op-
posed to discrimination by passenger
passes as well as against discrimina-
tion in freight rates. It is understood
the subject was brought up by the
President.The story is told that the President's
attention was first seriously drawn to
the pass question shortly after his re-
turn from his trip to Colorado. His
transportation was then furnished
gratis. Newspapers printed many ar-
ticles on the subject. One cartoon in
New York is said to have been espe-
cially obnoxious. Its point lay in de-
picting the number of miles the Presi-
dent had traveled free.The President is then said to have
called in Attorney General Moody, who
told him the laws on the statute books
are now sufficient to convict all the
railroads giving passes. The attorney
general said giving a pass means a dis-
crimination that could be reached by
law in the same way that giving a re-
bate can be reached. Whereupon, the
President determined to bring it to the
attention of the leading railroad men
on every possible occasion.

MINE INSPECTOR HERE.

State Officials in the District
Several Days.George C. Harrison, of Columbus,
chief inspector of mines in Ohio, was
in the city several days of the past
week, during which time he was as-
sisted by Deputy Inspector of Mines
William A. Miller. The object of Mr.
Harrison's visit was to make himself
familiar with the mining conditions in
order to intelligently formulate ideas
to be enacted into laws by the coming
legislature which will tend to increase
the safety and comfort of the miner.

Coxey's Army.

Coxey's army started from Coxey's
home in eastern Ohio in the spring of
1894 to carry, as Coxey said, a "peti-
tion in boots" to congress for relief
from the hard times then prevailing.
On arriving at Washington it was de-
nied access to congress, and those of
the pilgrims who disregarded the order
to "keep off the grass" of the capitol
grounds were sent to jail. Coxey him-
self was condemned to a term in jail.
The "army" at last crossed the Poto-
mac and settled down in a sort of hobo
camp on the Virginia side. There it
was allowed to remain for several
months until complaints from Wash-
ington induced the governor of Vir-
ginia to break up the camp and dis-
perse the campers.

Odd Marriage Ceremony.

Polynesia is probably the only place
in the world where the marriage feast
takes place without the presence of the
bridegroom. For some unexplained
reason the young man is "sent into the
bush" when negotiations are opened
with the family of his bride, and he re-
mains there during the subsequent
festivities. It is only when the guests
have departed and the girl is left alone
with his parents that messengers are
dispatched for him.

A Scotch "Bull."

General Wade constructed military
roads in the highlands of Scotland. An
obelisk was constructed to commemo-
rate his achievements on which was
inscribed the following "bull," intend-
ed to distinguish between natural
tracks and made roads:
Had you seen these roads before they
were made,
You would lift up your hands and bless
General Wade.

Difference and Distinction.

Most people are afraid to be differ-
ent. Some people are different for the
express purpose of showing that they
are not afraid. And then there are a
few who are big enough not to care
whether they are different or not. They
are the ones that win out, but nine
times out of ten they do things in the
ordinary way.Through
Tommy's
BlunderBy
Hill
Carson

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"Sure," said Tommy, stuffing the let-
ter into an already overcrowded pocket.
"I won't lose it. Guess not."Susie watched him turn out at the
gate and then ran upstairs and threw
herself sobbing upon the bed.Now that she had definitely accepted
Tom Burrower she knew how much
she loved Harry Fischel. Somehow it
had not seemed so hard to write that
"Yes," but now that Tommy had it in
his pocket it all came back to her.At the time her sense of injury had
been very strong. Now it seemed that
there might be a possible explanation
of the incident that had led her in a
moment of pique to accept Burr's
proposal of marriage. The final of
her action frightened her.The postman's whistle echoed shrilly
through the house, and she went down-stairs to the mail box. There was only
one letter, for her, and in the familiar
handwriting.She crept upstairs to her own room
before she opened the envelope. It
was only a short note."I am sorry that I could not come
over last night, dear," it ran. "Millie
Bryant, who has been visiting mother,
received a telegram that her mother
had died, and we did not like to let her
go home alone. My mother promised
to send you word, but forgot. I had
not time to write and catch the first
train.""I am especially sorry, as I wanted
last night to tell you that I have se-
cured that position at last and now am
free to ask you to become my wife.
Will you, dear? Will you make me
the happiest man in the world? I shall
await your answer with impa-
tience."She crushed the letter in her hand.
That was the girl he was telling her
about, and she had forgotten. He was
not going away with another woman;
he was doing an act of charity, and
in a fit of pique, she had accepted
Tom.She was still sobbing when Tommy
thundered at the door."Says he'll be over this evening," he
shouted, failing to gain admittance.
"Can I go over and play with Jimmie
Bowers?"Susie called an assent, and present-
ly she pattered down the stairs again.
She was left alone with her thoughts.With a face drawn and pinched, she
sat down at the tiny writing desk and
tried to compose a letter to Tom ask-
ing for her release, but nothing she
could write seemed to suit, and the
more she sought for the sentences she
wanted the more ugly did the written
words appear. They were lashes to
her conscience charging her with tem-
per and want of trust.After awhile she gave it up and went
about her duties, wondering dumbly
what she could say to Tom, racking
her brain for some way out of her di-
lemma.If she only had realized in time that
Harry could clear himself of his ap-
parent neglect! It would have been
all right had she waited, but in the
morning mail she had received Tom's
letter and had answered it without
stopping to think. There was plenty
of time for thinking now. By supper
time she came to the table, red eyed
and haggard faced.She dressed herself carefully for the
evening. Perhaps, she thought with
sudden hope, she might be able to tell
Tom how it had all happened, and she
might be able to get him to release
her. Then, again, she thought that per-
haps he had already told Harry. They
had been rivals for a long time. It
was not like Tom to refrain from gloat-
ing over his successor to the de-
feated suitor.By the time the bell rang she had
worked herself into a nervous hys-
teria. Slowly, with trembling knees,
she descended the stairway and en-
tered the parlor. The light was dim,
and almost before she was aware of it
a man's arms were about her and she
was struggling to free herself from
his embrace."Mayn't I kiss you, now that we are
engaged?" laughed Harry as he re-
leased her.

"Are we?" she asked stupidly.

"I have your word for it," he cried.

producing a letter. Susie ran into the
hall and held it to the light. It was
the note she had written that morn-
ing. Tom had asked for "just a single
word." Here was the "Yes" she had
scribbled on the paper.She ran into the dining room, where
Tommy was studying his lessons."Tommy," she asked breathlessly,
"who did you take that note to this
morning?""Harry, of course. That's where I
always take 'em.""But the envelope was addressed to
Tom Burrower," she reminded.Tommy grew red. "I was keepin'
score on it for th' boys," he admitted."It was so dirty I tore it off. Harry
didn't care about the envelope.""Tommy," laughed Susie hysteri-
cally, "if you want to take chances on
being sick, you can have a piece of
that fruit cake."

"Now?" he asked.

"Yes."

"Hub!" said Tommy bravely. "I'd
take chances on two pieces."He got them, for he had saved the
day, but even now he wonders why
he was not scolded for taking off that
envelope.

Measured Up to the Mark.

The late Lord St. Heber, better
known as Sir Francis Jenne, whose
presidency of the divorce and admir-
alty court extended over many years,
was the only judge in London who
cycled. His other hobby was garden-
ing.As president of the divorce court
Sir Francis Jenne saw much of the
tragedy of life. Yet when he was asked
what impressed him most in his expe-
rience in that sad place he promptly
replied:

"The goodness of human nature."

His friends say that there was not
even a tinge of cynicism in his nature.
He was always in high spirits and his
wit was sunny rather than caustic.He was once reproached by a legal
friend for joining prayers at the arch-
bishop's court, where they had gone to
impugn its competency in a certain
case. He instantly defended himself."But I prayed without prejudice,"
he said merrily.Sir Francis Jenne's habit of prayer
was undoubtedly acquired from his
father, Dr. Francis Jenne, at one time
bishop of Peterborough. It lasted
through life and contributed alike to
the great lawyer's practical common
sense and to his sympathetic insight.

Method in His Motion.

"The public is easy," said a Wall
street man. "I have seen men and
women hug and nurse worthless stocks
as Washington White nursed his
watch.""Washington White? Oh, he is a
colored man.""One day a friend met him on an un-
derground train. The friend sat down
beside him. Washington was rocking
himself to and fro in a curious way,
something like a man with the colic.""How do, Washington?" said the
friend."How do, Calhoun?" said Washing-
ton, and he still rocked to and fro.

"The friend regarded him curiously."

"You ain't sick, Washington, be
you?" he asked."No, indeed, Calhoun," was the re-
ply."Then why in the name o' common
sense, mah friend, am you rockin'
yourself to and fro this a-way all the
time?""Washington White made no pause
in his regular oscillations as he said:"Calhoun, you know Jerome Mc-
Wade? Well, he done sold me a silver
watch for free dollars, and if I stops
a-movin' like dis yere de watch don't
go no mo'."—New York Tribune.

What He Wanted.

"Gimme a little polar bear," said
the man in the basement restaurant
to the waitress who, having brought
him a glass of water, had stopped to
get his order."Polar bear's all out," she replied,
with a far away gaze that went past
his head without seeing him.

"Got any iced watermelon?"

"Yeh. Want some?"

"No, not if you've got it. How about
that pickled tongue?"

"S all right. D'ju want that?"

"Not any for mine. I'm married.
Well, I don't see anything here on this
bill that's cold enough except hot pan-
cakes and coffee. Hurry 'em along,
will you? They are bound to be cold
by the time I get 'em."The waitress swept away, still with-
out seeing the customer. He called her
back."Here," said the customer, "that was
just a joke. I want a boiled dinner.
What'll you take to laugh the next
time I get funny?""Chloroform," said the waitress as
she started for the kitchen.—Chicago
News.

Sympathetic Painter.

The language of hints is Greek to
children, as a rule, and they interpret
it after a simple fashion of their own."Where have you been all the morn-
ing, Dick?" inquired Mrs. Sampson of
her ten-year-old son."I've been down by the old sawmill
watching a man paint a picture," re-
plied Dick, whose chubby countenance
was decorated with paint of various
colors."I am afraid you must have bothered
him," said Mrs. Sampson as she began
to scrub her son's besmirched features."No'm, I didn't bother him a bit,"
said Dick in a moment's intermission
between the applications of soap and
water. "He was interested in me. I
could tell by the way he talked.""What did he say?" inquired Mrs.
Sampson."He looked at his watch," replied
Dick, "and told me he knew it was
most my dinner time. He knew a boy
of my age must be hungry, he said, for
he'd been a box himself."

Women as Well as Men Are Made

Miserable by Kidney and
Bladder Trouble.Kidney trouble preys upon the mind
discourages and lessens ambition; be-
stroys vigor and cheer-
ness soon disappears
when the kidneys are
out of order or dis-
eased.Kidney trouble has
become so prevalent
that it is not uncom-
mon for a child to be
born afflicted with
weak kidneys. If the
child urinates too often, if the urine scalds
the flesh, or if, when the child reaches an
age when it should be able to control the
passage, it is yet afflicted with bed-wet-
ting, depend upon it, the cause of the diffi-
culty is kidney trouble, and the first
step should be towards the treatment of
these important organs. This unpleasant
trouble is due to a diseased condition of
the kidneys and bladder and not to a
habit as most people suppose.Women as well as men are made miser-
able with kidney and bladder trouble,
and both need the same great remedy.
The mild and the immediate effect of
Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold
by druggists, in fifty-
cent and one-dollar
size bottles. You may
have a sample bottle
by mail free, also a Home of Swamp-Root,
pamphlet telling all about Swamp-Root,
including many of the thousands of testi-
monial letters received from sufferers
cured. In writing Dr. Kilmer & Co.,
Binghamton, N. Y., be sure and mention
this paper. Don't make any mistake,
but remember the name, Swamp-Root,
Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the ad-
dress, Binghamton, N. Y., on every
bottle.

A QUEER MALADY.

Case of Salem Girls Puzzles
the Physicians.Salem, Dec. 30. — The
Squire Baker, residing at
ville, near this city, is
strange malady, which
physicians of this sec-
Two years ago a daughter
about nineteen years
ice while skating
conscious remain-
dition for a week
return at intervals
main in an uncon-
her life would beA few days ago
years, fell, receiv-
shock. She at once
and has remained so
though apparently
going on about her,
move or speak. A Cleve-
now has the case in hand.

WANT CIGARETTE TAX.

Collections are to be Made at
Once by Auditor.The Canton Morning News says: A
sensation is to be sprung upon dealers
in cigarettes in Stark county who have
been selling the little dope sticks with-
out taking out license to do so. Auditor
M. W. Oberlin became satisfied
that there were many dealers in the
county who had failed to pay the state
tax and he started an investigation
order to get for the county what was
due from these dealers.A little quiet work was done, and
was ascertained that in every city a
town in the county cigarettes were
being sold openly by parties who
not legally entitled to do so.
agent caught Alliance parties
the others and they will have
up to the rack and pay the
As the tax has been entered
them at the auditor's office
entire list has been turned
prosecuting attorney, the
that they may be indict-
ed, as the penalty for
the law is from \$100 to
convicted parties to stand
to jail until the fine and costs
The largest list is in Can-
follows Massillon, Alliance, and
towns, including Louisville and
nerva. The dealers will be notified to
come in and cash up and if they do not
do so steps will be taken to force them
to do so. The probability is that as
soon as notified all will be glad to pay
the tax in the hopes of escaping the
penalty.

Wanted.

Young men and women well qualified
in the common branches to prepare for
business positions by attending the
Massillon Actual Business College.
Mid-winter term opens Tuesday, Janu-
ary 2. A good time to enter.

ALL KINDS

Rubber
Boots?Hood's
Are
the
BestAsk for
"Royal Oak"
Kind

HOOD RUBBERS

TRADE MARK

NOT MADE BY A TRUST

IF YOU CANNOT GET THESE RUB-
BERS FROM YOUR DEALER WRITE US.

TURMOIL SUBSIDING

Czar's Soldiers Gradually Regain Control in Areas of Disturbance.

STRIKERS COMPLETELY BEATEN

Ministry Proceeds With Work of Forming National Assembly—Uprising of Peasants Certain in Spring Unless Grievances Are Adjusted.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 30.—The suppression of the insurrection at Moscow and the certainty that similar uprisings elsewhere will be crushed mark the collapse of the first attempt of the "reds" to overthrow the government and administer a defeat from which it is not believed in government circles the revolutionaries can quickly recover.

Now that the smoke of battle is clearing away, the utter hopelessness of the conflict is apparent. The populace held aloof and not a single military unit actually joined the revolutionaries. Even the general strike crumbled under their feet by their challenging and precipitating a conflict before the proletarian organizations were prepared. The government secured a comparatively easy though ruthless victory, and it is believed in high official circles that the organizations have been so demoralized and disrupted by the blow and by the arrest of their most able leaders that it would be impossible for them to attempt the coup planned for the anniversary of "Bloody Sunday." In desperation undoubtedly the revolutionaries will again have recourse to acts of terror which they will spring at the most unexpected moment.

The country has quieted down and the cabinet now hopes that the selections to the duma are assured and that the government can devote its time to the suppression of the revolt in the Baltic provinces, and more especially to the solution of the agrarian question.

If means cannot be found to in some measure satisfy the land-hunger of the peasants before the spring the universal opinion is that the peasants everywhere will rise. The landed proprietors seem to be convinced of this to such an extent that the landlords in the neighborhood of Minsk are calling the tenants together and are voluntarily arranging the distribution of a portion of their private holdings upon terms satisfactory to the peasants.

Glasgow, Scotland, Dec. 30.—The correspondent of the Herald at St. Petersburg confirms the report of the London Times correspondent to the effect that the crisis in the Baltic provinces has led to international complications and the exchange of sharp notes between St. Petersburg and Berlin. Russia was angered by the proposal of Germany to send a warship to Riga to protest against such action. Germany insists upon the necessity of affording protection for her subjects in the Baltic regions.

SLUGGERS CONVICTED

Heavy Penalties Inflicted Upon Exponents of Militant Unionism.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Five officers of the Carriage and Wagon Workers' union and two hired sluggers last night were found guilty of conspiracy and all of them will be sent to the penitentiary unless they are granted new trials. The severest punishment was inflicted against Charles Gilhooley, leader of a gang of sluggers. He was sentenced to the penitentiary and fined \$2,000. The other men who were found guilty by the jury are Henry Newman, financial secretary; Charles Casey, Edward Shields, recording secretary; Charles H. Deutsch, member of the executive board; John Heiden, member of the executive board, and Marcus Looney, a hired slugger.

Last April, while Chris J. Carlstrom, a non-union carriage worker, was returning home from a factory where a strike was in progress, he was attacked by two men and severely injured. He died two weeks later of pneumonia contracted, it was said, from exposure while lying on the frozen ground for several hours after he had been left unconscious by his assailants.

HELD UP WRONG MAN.

Student Killed While Playing Joke on Fellow Student.

Notre Dame, Ind., Dec. 30.—Louis Roquela of Colombia, South America, a student at Notre Dame university, last night shot and almost instantly killed Claude A. Bagby of Durango, Col., when Bagby and several other students, as a practical joke, held up Roquela.

Several students planned a mimic hold-up of a friend expecting him to pass a certain point where they lay in wait. Roquela came along and the students, thinking him their victim, ordered him to hold up his hands. Instead Roquela drew a revolver and fired. The bullet struck Bagby near the heart and he died in five minutes. Bagby was 20 years old. Roquela supposed the attack to be genuine and acted on the defensive.

Uniontown Man Kills Himself.
Uniontown, Pa., Dec. 30.—Harrison Shaw, aged 48 years, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head.

NORDICA STAYS PANIC

Stamps Out Blaze on Stage Without Ceasing Her Song.

New York, Dec. 30.—Mme. Lillian Nordica won the enthusiastic plaudits of a large audience at the Metropolitan opera house when she quite coolly stamped out a blaze on the stage near the footlights, caused by fire dropping from a torch carried by a chorus woman in *Gottterdammerung*.



LILLIAN NORDICA.

The incident occurred during the fire scene of the last act of the opera. Burning oil spilled from one of the chorus torches and set fire to the carpeting. Immediately there was an uneasiness apparent in the audience and several persons started to leave their seats. Mme. Nordica, who was singing, walked over to the blaze and without interrupting her song stamped out the last spark of the fire. When the act ended the audience rose, cheered, waved handkerchiefs and applauded for many minutes.

LOST EIGHT DAYS IN MINE

Laborer Has Terrifying Experience in Bowels of Earth.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Dec. 30.—After being entombed in a mine for eight days, Joseph Davis, a Pole, has been rescued. Davis, who was a laborer, entered the mine Wednesday, Dec. 20, and got lost. At first it was thought he had gone to a nearby town to visit relatives. When he did not return a search was made in the mine, but no trace of him could be found. Last evening he was found in an exhausted condition near the bottom of the shaft. He was slowly making his way out of the mine.

When brought to the surface the man was unconscious but soon revived. He said he wandered around from one working to another, but all the time got further away from the opening. He had a well filled dinner pail and for the first four days ate sparingly of the contents. When the food was all gone he drank tea for two days. The next two days he ate scraps of bread that had been thrown away by miners. He had given up all hope of getting out alive, but night coming on he saw a light carried by an employee in the distance. He knew then he was on a roadway which was traversed and he crawled along in his weakened condition until he finally reached the bottom of the shaft.

PLEAS FOR PATRICK

Prominent Citizens Ask Executive Clemency for the Lawyer.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Governor Higgins has received a letter from Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton of New York city in which the well known alienist asks for executive clemency for Albert T. Patrick, the New York lawyer, now in Sing Sing awaiting execution for the alleged murder of William Marsh Rice.

"The grounds on which Dr. Hamilton has asked me to interfere," said Governor Higgins, "are, first, that he believes there is no proper evidence that Mr. Rice's death came from unnatural causes, and secondly, that no confidence should be placed in the testimony of Jones, the valet, on account of his conflicting stories."

Governor Higgins said he had received letters from others who were interesting themselves in Patrick's behalf. One of these letters was from former Judge John F. Dillon of New York, who took the same grounds as Dr. Hamilton. No executive action has as yet been taken.

TURKEYS ROOST HIGH

President Enjoys Hunt for Wild Variety in Virginia Hills.

Charlottesville, Va., Dec. 30.—The president and Mrs. Roosevelt took a long horseback ride and Archie and Theodore had a lively rabbit hunt. It is now said to be the president's intention to return to Washington tonight instead of Sunday night, as he originally expected to do.

A telephone message from Glen-dower, near Pine Knob, the Roosevelt country home, says the presidential party is well looked after. There are a number of negro attendants to do the house work and to look after the horses and dogs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., and Miss Ethel left North Garden last night at 8:15 o'clock on the return to Washington.

The president enjoyed a hunting trip for wild turkey. The locality selected was on top of Green mountain, about three miles from Pine Knob. He was accompanied by Peyton S. Coles, Jr., a well-known resident of Albemarle county, and by Mr. Omo-hundo. Later in the day the two boys, Kermit and Archie, departed on a hunting trip in the neighborhood of Keene, not a great distance from Pine Knob.

RAILROAD INDICTED

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy and Officials Are Charged With Rebating.

PAID 30 PER CENT TO SHIPPERS

Steel Corporation Said to Have Been Beneficiary of Law's Violation.

Shipments Made from Plants in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—The federal grand jury has returned an indictment against the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad; Darius Miller, first vice president, and C. G. Burnham, foreign freight agent, on the charge of granting railroad rebates.

The indictment charges that the rebates were all granted to the United States Steel Products company of New York, a subsidiary company of the United States Steel corporation. All of the shipments on which the indictment alleges rebates were paid from Elwood, Ind.; Martins Ferry, O.; Pittsburg, Pa.; New Castle, Pa.; Cleveland, O., and Joliet, Ill., to Vancouver, B. C. Twenty-six separate offenses are charged.

The indictment further alleges that by an agreement between the defendant and a number of connecting railroads a joint tariff was made and filed with the interstate commerce commission. The freight rates were paid, it is declared, in the indictment, according to the tariff, but afterwards a rebate of about 30 per cent was allowed to the shipper. In all cases the United States Steel Products company was the recipient of the money, according to the indictment.

As soon as the indictment was laid before Judge Bertha in the United States circuit court he fixed bonds of \$5,000 in each case, and the officials of the Burlington road were notified to call and give bail of \$15,000, which they agreed to do without delay.

The greater part of the evidence upon which the indictment was voted is said to have been furnished by T. P. Alder of New York, president of the United States Steel Products company; J. L. Moore, foreign traffic agent for the Burlington road, and G. W. Perry, freight claim agent of the Great Northern road.

HARMON SETTLES CASE

Railroad Suits in Which 10,000 Were Interested, Reach an End.

Lima, O., Dec. 30.—Judson Harmon, receiver of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton and Pere Marquette railways, has effected a settlement in a case which for 10 years has been in litigation in the Akron county courts and in which over 10,000 petitioners in a half dozen states are interested.

Mr. Harmon represented the Ohio Southern Railroad company, which in 1895-6 built the link between Springfield and this city, which is now a part of the Detroit, Toledo & Iron-ton railway, of which Eugene Zimmerman is president. The settlement of the litigation, cases under which are now in the common pleas, circuit and supreme courts in varying numbers, is believed to have an important bearing on the plans of President Zimmerman for that road.

The action was started here in May, 1898, under the title of Mary Rousculp vs. the Ohio Southern Railroad company, and creditors holding claims running into many thousands have bitterly fought the road. Receiver Harmon will make settlement to every creditor acting for the old ownership of the Ohio Southern.

AGREE ON BASES OF UNION

Northern and Southern Presbyterians Drawing Together.

St. Louis, Dec. 30.—After a division of 95 years steps have been consummated at a joint session of general committees which, if formally ratified next May by the general assemblies, will unite the Northern Presbyterian church, U. S. A., and the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Decatur, Ill., on the same date, for ratification. If the basis of union is ratified official announcement of the union of the two churches will then be made.

WHIPPED OUT OF TOWN

Tramp Who Assaulted a Cripple Severely Punished.

Fairmont, W. Va., Dec. 30.—Arthur Yost was clubbed out of the city by the police force and a dozen citizens. Yost was sentenced to serve 30 days for beating a crippled man whom he met on the street, and the police decided that it would be cheaper to run him out of town. Armed with paddles and buggy whips, the "public safety" committee concealed themselves along the streets and waited for Yost as he left the jail. He was chased half a mile from the corporate limits and told never to return.

NEWARK STRIKE ENDED

Polishers' Union and Employers Reach an Agreement.

Newark, O., Dec. 30.—In a conference last evening between the officials of the Wehrle foundry and the officers of the Polishers' union, the principal difficulties were settled and the strike, which has been in progress since June 1, 1905, was declared off.

The exact terms of the settlement are not known as yet, as President Wehrle refuses to make the details public, but it is given out that the terms which have been agreed on are entirely satisfactory to all parties concerned. Three murders and other acts of violence have been an outgrowth of the strike.

SUES FOR PUBLIC MONEY

Ohio Taxpayer Demands Repayment of \$359,065 by Contractors.

Canton, O., Dec. 30.—Action has been brought by Daniel Lucas, a Stark county taxpayer, against the American Bridge company, the Wrought Iron Bridge company, the Canton Bridge company and the Massillon Bridge company to compel the payment of \$359,785 to the county.

The suit was filed by former Attorney General Monnett, James A. Rice, recent candidate for attorney general, and H. C. Deeran. The plaintiff's averment is that money was illegally drawn from the county treasury for work done by the companies.

MRS. NUTT DIVORCED

Obtains Verdict at Cleveland and Custody of Their Son.

Uniontown, Pa., Dec. 30.—Mrs. Leora Nutt, wife of Joseph R. Nutt, has been granted a divorce from her husband in the courts at Cleveland, and given the custody of their 10-year-old son. Nutt is to pay her \$1,000 cash, \$5,000 a year alimony for four years, and is to educate and care for their son until he is of age. She relinquishes all claim to any share in his property.

Joseph R. Nutt is the second son of the late Captain A. C. Nutt of Uniontown, who was killed by N. L. Dukes, member of the legislature, in December, 1882. J. R. Nutt was formerly in the jewelry business in Uniontown and moved to Akron, O., about 1890, and later to Cleveland, where he is secretary and treasurer of a bank. Mrs. Nutt is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Hay of Somerset, Pa.

BROTHER IS ACCUSED

Two Arrests Made in Beaver County Murder Mystery.

Beaver Falls, Pa., Dec. 30.—Constable Thompson of Negley, Columbiana county, O., has made information at Darlington, Pa., against Robert McCoy and his son, James McCoy, charging them with the murder of Hugh McCoy, a brother of Robert McCoy, at the McCoy farmhouse two weeks ago. Both have been arrested.

Hugh McCoy was killed by two discharges from a shotgun while he was sitting at his home. The shots were fired through a window near which he sat.

The story that Robert McCoy gave out was that two masked men had committed the murder and then robbed the house, he having escaped in the meantime.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Higher prices for wheat at Liverpool were reflected today in a strong market here. The final quotations on May were up $\frac{1}{4}$ c. The corn market was very erratic, the price of old December fluctuating over a range of 6 cents. The close was, however, quite steady at a gain of $\frac{1}{4}$ c. over the final quotation of yesterday. The May option was up $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Oats showed a gain of $\frac{1}{4}$ c. Closing quotations: Wheat, May, 87 $\frac{1}{2}$; corn, May, 44 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 44 $\frac{1}{2}$; oats, May, 32 $\frac{1}{2}$.

PITTSBURG MARKETS—DEC. 29.

Corn—New yellow shelled, 48@50; new high mixed, 47@48; new yellow ear, 49@50.

Oats—No. 2 white, 36@36 $\frac{1}{2}$; No. 3 white, 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ @35 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$12.75@13; No. 2, \$11@11.50; No. 1 clover, \$10@10.50; No. 1 mixed, \$10@10.50.

Eggs—Selected, 26@27.

Butter—Prints, 28@28 $\frac{1}{2}$; tubs, 27@27 $\frac{1}{2}$; dairy, 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ @19 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Cheese—New York full cream, new, 14@14 $\frac{1}{2}$; Ohio full cream, 14@14 $\frac{1}{2}$; Wisconsin Swiss, 15@15 $\frac{1}{2}$; Limberger, new, 13@13 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Cattle—Prime to fancy, fat, smooth steers, \$5.40@5.60; green, coarse and rough, fat steers, \$3.40@4; fat, smooth, dry fed, light steers, \$4@4.75; choice milch cows, \$35@50; medium to good milch cows, \$20@30; good, fat, smooth, bandy butchers' bulls, \$3.35@3.85; feeding steers, good style, weight and extra quality, \$3.50@4; feed steers, common to good quality, \$3@3.50; fair to choice stockers, \$2.85@3.40.

Calves—Veals, good to choice, \$8.50@9; veals, fair to good, \$5@7.50; heavy and thin calves, \$3@5.

Hogs—Good to prime heavy, \$5.35@5.40; choice medium weights, \$5.35@5.40; best heavy Yorkers, \$5.35@5.40; good light Yorkers, \$5.35@5.40; pigs, good to prime, \$3.35@5.40.

Sheep and Lambs—Prime wethers, \$5.60@5.85; good to choice mixed, \$5@5.50; fair to good mixed, \$4.25@5; culls and common, \$3@4; spring lambs, \$5@7.80.

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TASK IS UNFINISHED

Charles T. Yerkes Called Hence in Midst of Great Enterprise.

RAPID TRANSIT MAGNATE DEAD

Man Who Developed Chicago System and Who Was Engaged in Work of Giving Rapid Transit to London Passes Away Suddenly.

New York, Dec. 30.—Charles T. Yerkes, the noted railroad financier of Chicago and London, is dead in his apartments at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, where he had been ill for more than six weeks.

Mr. Yerkes suffered from a complication of diseases growing out of a severe cold which he contracted in London early in the fall. His condition had been critical for 10 days past and the attending physicians gave up all hope several days ago, although members of the family clung tenaciously to the belief that the remarkable vitality of Mr. Yerkes would eventually pull him through.

Despite statements said to have come from Mrs. Charles T. Yerkes, wife of the capitalist, that she would not go to the Waldorf-Astoria, the following official statement was made by Dr. Loomis, who had attended Mr. Yerkes throughout his illness:

"At the deathbed were Mrs. Charles T. Yerkes, his wife; Charles Edward Yerkes, his son, and his wife; Mrs. Charles Rondamiller, a daughter, and myself.

"At 1 o'clock Mrs. Yerkes was telephoned to that her husband was dying and she relented and went to the hotel and was present when he died. This was the first time Mrs. Yerkes had been at the hotel during her husband's illness. The death was peaceful but unexpected at the time."

Speyer & Co., the New York banking firm which had much to do with the local financing of Mr. Yerkes's affairs, made the following statement:

"The death of Mr. Yerkes is particularly sad, coming at a time when his great work in connection with the London underground was rapidly approaching completion and important portions of it were being put in operation.

"Mr. Yerkes's falling health had warned him and the bankers associated with the enterprise that arrangements should be made for relieving him of a portion of his work or for completing and carrying it on in case of his death. These arrangements have been perfected and will be announced at the proper time."

FEARED HER HUSBAND

Wealthy Woman Told Friend She Expected Sudden End.

Salem, Mass., Dec. 30.—The most sensational testimony yet introduced in the Essex probate court in connection with the protested will of Mrs. Jennie P. Chase, the wealthy Swampscott woman, was given by Mrs. Mary E. Trask, a dressmaker of Boston, and an intimate friend of Mrs. Chase. According to Mrs. Trask, Mrs. Chase had expressed a fear of violence at the hands of Dr. Horace Chase, her husband and the father of Dr. Forrest Woodruff Chase by a previous marriage, whom Mrs. Chase adopted and to whom she bequeathed \$1,000,000 in the will which her brothers and sisters are contesting.

According to the testimony of Mrs. Trask, less than a week before her sudden death last September Mrs. Chase visited Mrs. Trask in Boston and at that time she informed her friend that if she met with a sudden death "something would be wrong."

She also said that Dr. Chase said he would kill her if he dared.

Mrs. Trask said she visited the Chase home in Swampscott on the day following the death of Mrs. Chase, but at that time Dr. Chase said that pneumonia had caused the death of his wife. Nothing was said at that time about Mrs. Chase's death being caused by gas poisoning or about suicide.

Preparing Bills to Protect Funds. Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 30.—A conference between a committee representing the Democratic members of the Pennsylvania legislature, State Treasurer-elect Berry and Homer L. Castle was held here to formulate legislation to be presented at the coming session. The committee will prepare bills for the better protection of the state funds in financial institutions, designating the manner by which the state depositories will be selected and limiting the amounts of the state deposits.

Man Shot for Dime Is Dead. Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 30.—Robert Lane, who was shot by Officer John Howerly in a fight on a Chesapeake & Ohio train because he and his brother had refused to pay 10 cents for a chair in the car, is dead.

His brother Henry was dangerously wounded. Howerly was re-arrested, having been out on bond.

Bingham Succeeds McAdoo. New York, Dec. 30.—Mayor McClellan has announced the appointment of Brigadier General Theodore A. Bingham, U. S. A. (retired), as police commissioner, succeeding William McAdoo, who has held the office through Mr. McClellan's first term.

RECLAIMING ARID LAND

Eleven Government Irrigation Projects Now Under Way.

WORK WILL COST OVER \$37,000,000.

Many Miles of Canals and Ditches Dug—Millions of Dry Acres to Be Brought to Fertility—Desire of the Sacramento Valley People—How the Value of Land Is Increased by Irrigating It.

A bulletin issued by the geological survey says the approval by the secretary of the interior of the Rio Grande reclamation project in Texas and New Mexico, and the Carlsbad project in New Mexico, will bring the number of reclamation projects up to twenty-four. Of these eleven are under way. They provide for the reclamation of 1,303,500 acres of arid lands at a cost of \$37,028,571.

On June 30 the total cost of construction and engineering work performed by the reclamation service, together with the administration expenses, amounted to \$3,462,169. On that date the reclamation fund had reached a total of \$28,028,571. It was estimated at that time that the receipts for the fiscal years 1906-08 would amount to \$9,000,000, so that the sum of money available for reclamation purposes up to the end of 1908 will be \$37,028,571.

Since the work of reclamation began seventy-seven miles of main canals have been constructed and fifty-four miles of distributing canals, as well as 186 miles of ditches and 147 bridges. Over 9,350,000 cubic yards of earth have been excavated and three and a half miles of tunnel driven.

Labor, the bulletin says, is one of the most serious problems the engineers have to confront. "Several contractors," the bulletin adds, "engaged on government projects have already failed because of their inability to secure the services of a sufficient number of workmen, and others are on the verge of failure for the same reason. It is equally difficult to find competent sub-contractors and foremen."

The people of the Sacramento valley, in California, are anxious that the government should extend the irrigation work that it is now doing in the west so as to take in a part at least of their land. The Development association of the Sacramento valley, which is taking a very active interest in the subject, has a representative in Washington now in the person of W. A. Beard, the secretary of the association. Mr. Beard has already had an interview with the secretary of the interior, under whom the general scheme of the reclamation service is being plotted, and while there has been nothing definitely promised to the Sacramento people yet there is considerable prospect that the valley will be included in the work mapped out for the coming year.

At the recent hearing at the interior department Mr. Beard and Director Walcott of the geological survey were both present, and the whole situation was clearly put before the secretary. The Sacramento valley is about 50 miles wide and 200 miles long. It contains a little over 2,600,000 acres of arable land, and the surveys that have been made of it show that there is not only water enough in the Sacramento river to irrigate the whole of it, but that there are reservoir sites enough to hold the water for distribution during the long dry summer without interfering with the navigation of the river. This is an unusually favorable showing for any irrigation project. The reservoir sites are such also that the work can be done economically and with more than usual speed.

The counties interested in the work have been co-operating with the geological survey for about six years in the surveys and preliminary investigations. The state appropriated \$76,000 to aid in the original survey work. Now that the investigation is practically all done the Sacramento Valley association has taken up the work vigorously in hope of seeing one or another of the several projects put through. The people of the valley do not expect to see the whole of the work taken up at once, but they are in a frame of mind where they will heartily support the engineers of the reclamation service, no matter which of the several units of the work they elect to start on.

As has been said, the reclamation service has work under way in eighteen states that will ultimately cost over \$37,000,000 and will reclaim something over 1,300,000 acres of land, but there are more than 2,600,000 acres in the Sacramento valley alone that are easily susceptible of irrigation and have the water and reservoir sites.

The rate at which land increases in value when once it is "under ditch" is almost inexplicable to the average easterner. The land in the Sacramento valley now which is irrigated by private enterprise is worth well over \$175 an acre, while equally good land that is not irrigated can be had for \$30. The subject of extensive irrigation work is pressing with the Sacramento valley people. The whole of the valley has been steadily cropped in wheat for fifty years, and this sort of treatment has so nearly worn it out that wheat raising is no longer profitable. There are about 40,000 acres of land that have been irrigated by private enterprise, and this land is now selling for nearly \$200 an acre.

If any of the several sections of the irrigation work can be promptly taken up by the national government they will not only be assured of the hearty co-operation of all the people of the valley, but it will mean that the construction of a comparatively small section of the irrigation works will double the taxable value of the valley.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

Joseph Bernhardt is visiting relatives in Chicago.

Barn, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Morgan, to Wooster street, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Kitchen are visiting relatives in McCoombs, Pa.

Mrs. Richard Johnson and son Wayne are visiting friends in Wooster.

Mrs. A. E. Landis, of Frazenburg, is visiting at the home of her son, F. A. Landis.

Peter Bernhardt, Jr., has gone to Chicago, where he has secured employment in a plumbing shop.

The funeral of the late John Core will be held from St. Mary's church Tuesday morning at 8:30 o'clock.

Mrs. William Mader left on Friday morning for Los Angeles, Cal., where she will make her future home.

Mrs. W. E. Adams, of Elgin, Ill., is a guest at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Segner, in South Erie street.

Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Early and son Ward have been called to Coshocton because of the death of Mrs. Early's father.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Dickerson, of Cosopolis, Pa., are guests at the home of the latter's sister, Mrs. Howard Maseley, in East Oak street.

Miss Minnie D. Kuhn, of New York, supervisor of music in the schools of Richmond borough, is visiting friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Heggem, of Benton, O., and Charles R. Heggem, of Guthrie, Okla., are at the C. O. Heggem home in East Main street.

Mrs. George Ketterer has returned to her home in Washington, after a two months' visit with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Snyder, 56 East Oak street.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crone and daughter Mary, of New York, will spend New Year's day with Mr. Crone's mother, Mrs. Mary Crone, in East Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Prugh, of Dayton, and Mrs. John Baker and daughter Marge, of Loudonville, will spend New Year's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. John, in South Mill street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Russell will leave Thursday for Pasadena, Cal. They will be joined in Chicago by Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McLean and Mrs. Eleanor Russell. The party will spend the next three months in California.

Quoniam March finds that Milton James, who was in a saloon fight at Alliance, died from natural causes. Albert Scriven, who engaged in the fight with James and was arrested awaiting results, has been released from jail.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Altman, of Bloomfield, are spending their honeymoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ecketer, in North Hill street. After their stay here they will leave for Washington and other Eastern cities.

A barn owned by Benjamin Bechtel, on the rear of Charles and Muskingum streets, was discovered on fire at noon on Saturday. An alarm was turned in from box 23. Company No. 1 responded and put out the blaze. The barn was used as a paint shop and the loss to the building and contents will amount to considerable. The origin of the fire is not known.

A dispatch from Bellefontaine, O., says: Alleging gross neglect, cruelty and drunkenness and that on December 14, 1904, the defendant drove her from home, Mrs. Estella B. Frick sued William A. Frick for divorce and secured an injunction restraining him from disposing of property and possessions valued at \$60,000. Four years ago Frick's father, a millionaire of Wooster, died leaving him much property.

Mrs. Ralph S. Ambler gave a handsomely appointed dinner at her home on Lake street, Canton, at 1 o'clock Friday. Among those present from Massillon were: Mrs. A. C. Wales, Mrs. J. H. Hunt, Mrs. Charles Steese, Mrs. E. L. Baldwin, Mrs. E. D. Russell, Mrs. C. A. Gates, Mrs. J. P. Burdett, Mrs. Miss Adelaide Ullman. Progressive ecure followed the luncheon. Mrs. Burton won the first prize and Miss Ullman the second prize. Six tables were occupied.

An inspector of the United States revenue department was in Alliance recently investigating the saloons of the city. One saloonkeeper was found who admitted he had violated the laws and paid a penalty of \$200 and took an oath not to do so any more. It is rumored that whereas there is no distillery in the city, certain saloonkeepers had made a substitute which they were selling as whiskey, with deadly effect upon those who drank it. These were also looked after.—Alliance Review.

Edward Aman, of Massillon, and Miss Emaline Baer, who resides with her parents on the Oliver farm, south of the village, were married at the Reformed parsonage, by the Rev. Mr. Schaefer. The bride came with her parents to this community about a year ago and is a young lady of good qualities. The groom resides with his parents. Mr. and Mrs.

Aman expect to make their home on a farm near Massillon in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Aman have a host of friends who extend congratulations.—Louisville Herald.

STRIKE DECLARED OFF.

Work Will be Resumed at Newark Stove Foundry

Newark, O., Dec. 30.—"The differences which have existed between the polishers and Wehrle stove foundry here have been settled satisfactorily to all concerned," was the official announcement made by Capt. J. A. Karver, of a detective agency of Pittsburgh, which has policed the grounds about the foundry since last June. The settlement occurred Friday evening at a meeting between the national officers of the polishers' union and the officials of the big foundry.

Three murders and several shooting affairs have resulted from the strike, which involved one hundred and twenty-five men.

PRAISE FOR A HUNTER.

A Friend of Peter Cabbut Tells of His Skill.

To the Editor of The Independent:

I feel that some notice is due to the skill of one of your townsmen, who has recently returned to your city after a successful hunt in the Wisconsin woods. Hunting deer in Wisconsin is no easy task, though much sport is to be had in these wild woods. The season for hunting deer opens on the 10th day of November and lasts twenty days. One who is accustomed to these woods and the ways of the deer can kill the number of deer the law allows him in that time, that is if he is in the right location. This means quite a bit, as the deer are not found in all of the wild woods. P. F. Cabbut, of Massillon, was up here this fall with me hunting. For a man not accustomed to these wild woods Mr. Cabbut certainly did most remarkably good hunting.

He not only killed what the law allowed him, but went one better. His instinct for getting through these woods is certainly a "stunner." He is a natural born hunter and made several shots with his 308 Savage rifle that would worry our best deer slayers. His remarkable shooting captured for him three large buck, two of which he took home with him. He made such shots that not one man in fifty would try to make. He deserves great credit, as he is the greatest green hunter that ever stepped in these woods, and to say that Mr. Cabbut was at home in these woods would be expressing it mildly. Why he is a natural born Indian. I have enjoyed one of the best hunts this fall I ever had. I have been in these woods six years and during this time I have seen many, yes, many men go home empty handed, not because there were no deer here, but because of their lack of ability to shoot them. Besides Mr. Cabbut I had my mother and two brothers, of Strasburg, O., an uncle and aunt, of Newark, O., and several hunters from this state with me. I have a homestead up here on which I spend much of my time. It is out eighteen miles from North Crandon and known as the Evergreen Home.

Thanking you for space in your paper, I remain,

Yours,
STANLEY E. HARTLINE.
North Crandon, Wis., Dec. 24.

NEARBY TOWNS.

CRYSTAL SPRING. Crystal Spring, Dec. 29.—Walter A. McKelvey, of Sterling, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at this place. William E. Preece, a guard at the Mansfield reformatory, visited his family the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meiner and family were guests of friends in Barberton over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ries called on relatives in Pittsburgh several days last week.

Herbert Sharp and Miss Jennie Sharp, of Barberton, enjoyed a visit at the Springs during Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. David Weidner and Mr. and Mrs. Ott Kallogovsky have returned from a short visit with friends in Akron.

Peter Miesmer, Jr., spent a few days with relatives in New Brighton, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Calb and family have returned from Lorain.

Grandmother Hare, who is hale and hearty at the age of 84, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hare, took dinner Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Mannweiler, in Massillon.

Last Friday a nice programme was rendered by the scholars of all three rooms in the advanced department of the school building. All present were well pleased. After a week's vacation school will commence again next Monday. As to the teachers, Edwin Ebie is enjoying the week in a local way, while Miss Bertha Stoner and Miss Cora Ketterer are visiting their parents in New Berlin and Canton, respectively.

OBITUARY.

GEORGE E. ROGERS. George E. Rogers, aged 68 years, 6 months and 21 days, died Friday morning at 4 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Price, in West Walnut street. Mr. Rogers was born in Glamorganshire, Wales. He was married in his native land and he and Mrs. Rogers and one child came to the United States in August, 1860. They first settled in the southern part of Ohio. Mrs. Rogers died thirteen years ago. Mr. Rogers had lived in Stark county thirty-nine years. The surviving children are: Mrs. Robert Guy, Mrs. William Price, Mrs. Genian Shanabrook, Mrs. Andrew Miller, Mrs. Thomas Hodgson, Mrs. Reuber Bash, Mrs. Martha Kreiger, of this city, and William and George Rogers, of Saginaw, Mich. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

ANDREW BUDD. West Lebanon, Dec. 28.—Andrew Budd, son of William and Jane (Hasson) Budd, was born near West Lebanon on April 7, 1828, and died December 22, 1905, aged 77 years, 8 months and 18 days. In October, 1853, he was married to Miss Jane Henning. To this union five children were born, three of whom are still living. There are seven grandchildren. His wife died nineteen years ago. He was the second son of a family of ten children, eight sons and two daughters, of whom four brothers and one sister are still living. He was a member of Company A, One Hundred and Twentieth O. V. I. He enlisted in Wooster, O., on the 25th day of August, 1862, and was discharged at Houston, Tex., on the 14th day of October, 1865, having served three years and two months. During that time he saw varied service, participating in all the skirmishes, battles and marches of his regiment in all its services except the part which it performed in the siege of Vicksburg. At that time he was detailed to serve on the hospital boat Nashville, running on the Mississippi river. He was with the boat about six months, rejoining his regiment at Plaquemine and sharing with it in the Red River expedition. He was on the City Belle when it was fired into, but made his escape by swimming the river and climbing the bank under heavy fire and marching all the way to Alexandria without pause. The battles in which he participated were Chickasaw Bayou, Arkansas Post, Black River Bridge, Raymond and Jackson. He also participated in the siege of Mobile and the storming of Fort Blakeley, the last battle of the war. In civil life he was a farmer, a straightforward, honest man, a worthy citizen, a kind husband and indulgent father.

JOHN CORE. John Core, aged 84 years, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Peter Huffman, near Newman, at 11 o'clock Friday morning, from the infirmities of old age. Mrs. Core died a number of years ago. The deceased is survived by several children.

DENNIS MCCARTHY. Dennis McCarthy, aged 66 years, died at the state hospital Wednesday night. The deceased was admitted from Youngstown a year ago. The body was sent to Cambridge City, Pa., Thursday, for interment.

MRS. CHRISTIAN BRUEGEMAN. Mrs. Christian Brueggeman, aged 40 years, died at the family home, two miles north of Massillon, Thursday morning, after a short illness. The deceased is survived by her husband and several children. Mr. Brueggeman was employed by the Brown Lumber Company until a short time ago.

DEATH OF AN INFANT. Dorothy Hoppoldt, the two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hoppoldt, of Front street, died at 10:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, of meningitis. The funeral will be held from St. Mary's church Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock.

HOLIDAY DANCE.

Many Out-of-Town Guests were Entertained.

The holiday dance at the Massillon club house Friday evening was a success in every respect. Among those present from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Austin Lynch, Miss Caroline Harter, the Misses Kate Barber, Mary Zollinger, Esther Blake, Grace Carnahan and Evelyn Lynch, Thomas Harris, William and Lawrence Gschwend, Charles W. Zollinger, William Barber and Robert Fast, of Canton; Miss Marcia Wilkins, of New Philadelphia, the guest of Miss Helen Jarvis; Miss Mary McCall, of Oneida, the guest of her brother, George A. McCall; Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Pocock, of Cleveland, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. McLean; Mr. and Mrs. Croxton, of Cleveland, guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Croxton; Miss Lucile Warner, Miss Elta Heward and Roy Fischer, of Cleveland, guests of Mrs. Clara Putman; Mr. and Mrs. James R. Dunn and Miss Marjory Dunn, of St. Louis, guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Focke; John Dunn, of San Francisco, and Eugene Eppey, of Franklin, Pa., the guests of Canton friends; Mrs. George Copeland, of Marion, and Mrs. J. E. Russell, of Mt. Vernon, who are the guests of Mrs. H. C. Eymann.

DUN'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

Summary of Business Conditions Throughout the Country.

New York, Dec. 30.—Dun's weekly review says today: Unseasonably mild weather accentuated the customary holiday week dullness in distribution of staple merchandise, but gratifying results of Christmas trade established a strong tone and confidence regarding the future is more pronounced. Outdoor work is fair, facilitated by the high temperature and the lack of snow, making the year's total of building operations even greater than the most sanguine expectations. Trade in furs and heavy clothing is unfavorably affected by the open winter, but the net result is most satisfactory.

Despite inventories and repairs, output of manufacturing plants has continued large and preparations for spring shipments indicate that advance orders were heavy. New business at first hands is seasonably quiet but machinery will be fully occupied well into the new year before additional orders are required. It is gratifying to manufacturers to find that no burdensome stocks have accumulated despite recent record breaking production.

Actual new business in the iron and steel industry was light during the past week but a large tonnage was under negotiation and consumers continued importunate for early delivery on old contracts.

TO BE MARRIED AT HOME.

Brewer Telephones Elopement Daughter Accepting the Situation.

St. Louis, Dec. 30.—Announcement is made that Lieutenant Edward Scharrer of Stuttgart, Germany, and Miss Wellhelmina Busch, daughter of Adolphus Busch, brewer, will be quietly married on New Year's day at the Busch mansion here.

This announcement came as a sequel to the elopement of Lieutenant Scharrer and Miss Busch to Belleville, Ill., 16 miles across the river, which was frustrated by the fact that they were unable to secure a marriage license at the late hour.

When the couple found they could not secure the license Miss Busch then telephoned to her father.

"If you intend to be married, come back to St. Louis and be married at home. I have no objection to Mr. Scharrer as a son-in-law," replied Mr. Busch. Thereupon Miss Busch and the lieutenant returned to Mr. Busch's home.

IRONWORKERS ASK INCREASE IN WAGES.

Reading, Pa., Dec. 30.—The eastern executive board of the Amalgamated association met here, together with delegates from some 30 lodges of the organization. It was decided to ask for an increase of 12 1/2 per cent in wages, beginning Jan. 15, in order to secure an equalization with the rates paid to ironworkers in Pittsburgh. The request for the increase will be made to all iron firms in the state east of Pittsburgh whose employees are organized. It involves many thousands of ironworkers.

THE SLOW PACED LORIS.

This Animal is the Slowest Moving Mammal in Existence.

Scientists say that the slowest moving mammal in existence is the slow paced loris, an animal more or less closely allied to the monkeys. Its technical name is "Nycticebus tardigradus," the last part of which might be translated "lazy footed." One of them when timed took exactly thirty-two minutes and three seconds in moving across a space of four feet toward a roach that it was endeavoring to capture. The animal belonged to an Asiatic genus that extends from Java and Sumatra and Borneo and quite possibly some of the Philippine Islands, through parts of Hindustan. When its progress was timed it advanced "within ten or twelve inches of its quarry, rested up on its hands, drew its hind feet gradually forward until almost under its breast, very slowly and cautiously raised itself upright into a standing position, balancing awkwardly with upturned arms, and then threw itself bodily—not upon the insect, which was off like an arrow from a Tartar's bow, but upon the spot the roach had occupied half a second before."

In this species the different parts of the hands and feet are so divided as to form two lobes, resembling in shape and in function those of the chameleon. The animal creeps very slowly toward its prey, taking a secure hold of a supporting limb or branch with one hand or with one foot, bringing forward another, just as does the chameleon. The round, protruding eyes and the slow, mechanical movements remind one of the lizard, while the insect feeding habits of both are identical except that the chameleon hunts by day and the loris by night. The latter even possesses a second auxiliary tongue, which can have no other purpose than to aid the creature in catching flies, just as the development of such a member assists the insect catching lizard.

A very curious formation, consisting of an arrangement of the blood vessels, called by recent physiologists "the wonderful network" (rete mirabile), belongs to all species of slow loris. The limbs, instead of being supplied with arteries and with veins, are furnished with two series of blood vessels lying closely parallel to each other. One series is of hairlike tenuity and the other somewhat larger, joined to the first by short, tubular projections. This rete gives great muscular power in executing very deliberate, gradual, almost imperceptible, motion continued for a long time.

ELKINS-CHARLESTON LINK.

READY FOR OPERATION. Elkns, W. Va., Dec. 30.—Regular train service over the newly constructed railroad from this city to Charleston, W. Va., will begin New Year's day. The road was built by former Senator H. C. Davis to afford access to the central West Virginia coal fields. It gives direct connection between this section of the state and the state capital and will connect here with the Western Maryland road for the east, making a new east and west route.

New Trial Is Denied Lear.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—Judge McPherson in the United States district court has refused a new trial to Henry Lear, former president of the Doylestown, Pa., National bank, convicted of misapplying funds of the defunct institution. Lear will appeal.

INDEPENDENT WANT COLUMNS.

Articles lost and found, houses to let or desired help wanted, situations wanted, real estate bulletins and kindred announcements are more certain to produce results if advertised under this head than by any other means. Copy must be left not later than 10 a. m. to insure insertion the same day. Three publications of not more than 4 printed lines for 25 cents.

FOR RENT.

BUSINESS ROOMS—One room 40x22 feet; one front office room 12x15; one office 12x18, and one 9x19, on second floor; all with heat; in new independent building. Inquire at Independent office.

FARM—Large farm, 170 acres clear land, 30 acres of timber to be rented on shares located 2 1/2 miles south of Navarre. Inquire Nicholas Zintemaster 1 mile south of Navarre.

HOUSE—Six room house, No. 40 E. Mt. 1 St., in good order. Henry Lantz.

HOUSE—A good 4 room house on Front St. See A. Stephan, at Hammersmith's office.

OFFICE ROOM with all conveniences, low rent, near Rider & Snyder's drug store. Also large third floor room that will be fitted to suit tenant. Inquire of J. V. R. Skinner, 23 S. Erie St.

ONE OFFICE ROOM on second floor in new Schorm block. Inquire P. Frank Schorm grocery.

OFFICE ROOMS—Two office rooms on second floor of Welker Block. Inquire of Hattie M. Welker. Bell phone 224.

ROOMS—Furnished rooms for light house-keeping. Apply at No. 40 Duncan St. Independent phone 370.

STORE ROOM and large cellar, formerly used as a cold hand store, 7 Canal St. Inquire of J. D. Wetter, rear of State Bank.

WANTED.

COLLECTOR—Installment collector for mercandises, good salary and expenses. Address Globe Company, 723 Chestnut, Phila. elphia, Pa.

WRL—Experienced girl for general housework. Inquire 79 Henry St.

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ROOMS—Furnished rooms for one or two persons. Inquire at 65 S. Mill St.

For Sale or Rent.

SALOON FIXTURES—Inquire at Massillon Hotel.

The Independent exchange column will bring results. Try it.

OBITUARY.

MARY DONANT. Mary Donant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donant, died at 4:45 o'clock Saturday morning, aged 15 years and 23 days, after an illness of ten days or more of laryngitis edematous. The funeral will be held at St. Joseph's church at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. Interment at St. Joseph's cemetery.

I Give Honor to Whom it is Due.

Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, of Roundout, N. Y., cured me of Bright's disease and Gravel. Four of the best Physicians had failed to relieve me. I have recommended it to scores of people with like success, and know it will cure all who try it.—Mrs. E. P. Mizer, Burg Hill O. Price \$1.00, a 1 druggists; 6 bottles \$5.00.

FOR SALE.

ABSTRACTS OF TITLE promptly and accurately made at reasonable prices. The Trust Abstract Company, Eagle Block, Canton, O.

GROCERY for sale. 53 S. Erie St.

HOUSE—Four-room house on Brown Ave. Gas, city and soft water. Inquire at 128 Green St.

LOTS—Three miles south of Massillon along street car line; lots contain 1/2 acre each, 170 feet front. J. H. Myers, Navarre, O.

LOTS—Four lots on Hill St., between 1st and 2nd Sts., and two cheap lots near the East Catholic school. Wm. McMillan, Attorney.

MILK WAGON—A newly new milk wagon; inquire at James Williams' loan office, 334 E. Fifth or 916 W. Second St., Canton, O.

NINETY FARMS—Anyone desiring to purchase a house and lot in Massillon or farm of 1/2 to 200 acres near Canton, Massillon, Greenville or Dalton, can secure same by calling on S. M. Hawthorne, 248 W. Main St.

PIANO—Brinkerhoff piano, used only a short time, good as new, mahogany case; reasonable price and easy terms. A. B. Smith, 12 N. Mill, next to Hank's.

PONY—Saddle pony, between 3 and 4 years old, good single or double driver, not afraid of steam or street cars. Call on or address O. Reed, Navarre, O.

SEWING MACHINE—Drop head sewing machine; will accept \$8.00 if sold soon. Inquire 21 W. Main St.

TICKETS—Ocean Steamship Tickets—NORTH GERMAN LLOYD, HAMBURG-AMERICAN, GUARD, FARRER, AUSTRO-AMERICAN & PRINCE LINES. Money forwarded anywhere. Warren E. Russell, 2 E. Tremont St.

LOST.

BATTENBERG CENTERPIECE, on Christmas afternoon on Cherry, Mill or North Sts. Finder please leave at this office and receive reward.

GLOVES—Pair black fur driving gloves, Thursday morning between East Greenville and Massillon. Will holder please leave at Frank Schorm's grocery.

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